



# ***MANCHESTER HIGH SCHOOL***

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Dear Parent /Guardian:

In an effort to smooth the transition from middle school to high school, the Manchester High School math teachers have created a summer review packet for all incoming grade 9 students to complete. The packet contains problems that focus on mathematical skills and applications that have been a major part of the middle school curriculum. A strong understanding of these concepts is an essential foundation for student success throughout the Common Core Algebra 1 course in grade 9, as well as other math courses at the high school.

The Grade 8 to Grade 9 Summer Review packet will be available for download and printing on the Manchester Public Schools website <http://www.mpspride.org/page.cfm?p=1280>. It may also be accessed through the Manchester High School website <http://mhsredline.com> homepage.

Within the first days of the 2016 - 2017 school year, grade 9 math teachers will review students' summer work, discuss any difficulties and concerns that students have, and administer a class assessment based on these skills and concepts. The results of this assessment will be used to analyze students' individual strengths and weaknesses as they begin their high school career in mathematics.

Students should bring the completed packet to school as it will be considered the first assignment for class. We ask that you encourage your child to complete the Summer Math packet and stress the importance of working towards success, in partnership with us, through this next step of their educational journey.

Please address any questions or concerns through a message to Cathy Mazzotta, Math Department Chair, at 860.647.3516. Messages will be responded to throughout the summer. Additional copies of the packet will be available in the Manchester High School main office.

Thank you for your cooperation and support,

Catherine A. Mazzotta  
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